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INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Priority National Economic Intelligence Objectives

Reference: IAC-M-225, 10 January 1956, item 3

- 1. Attached is a statement of Priority National Economic Intelligence Objectives, approved by the Economic Intelligence Committee on 7 August 1956.
- 2. This statement was prepared to identify and expand the economic aspects of DCID 4/5, "Priority National Intelligence Objectives," for guidance to the agencies participating in the EIC, in their economic intelligence activities.
- 3. This matter will be placed on the agenda of an early IAC meeting for appropriate action.

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PRIORITY NATIONAL ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE OBJECTIVES

- 1. Director of Central Intelligence Directive No. 4/5, dated
 18 October 1955, lists the priority national intelligence objectives
 established pursuant to National Security Council Intelligence
 Directive No. 4, as a guide for the coordination of intelligence
 collection and production. DCID 4/5 covers military, political, and
 economic intelligence objectives on the Sino-Soviet Bloc and the
 Free World.
- 2. All economic intelligence objectives listed below are related to DCID 4/5 and as defined in that directive are deemed to be essential elements of priority national intelligence objectives. In conformity to the directive, distinction is made among three levels of priority within the general priority category. Order of listing within these three categories is a matter of convenience in presentation and has no significance with respect to the relative priority of specific items within the category.

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3. Foreign activities covered in the priority national economic intelligence objectives will be subject to continuing surveillance within the framework of responsibility laid down by DCID 15/1. It is not intended that the following list of objectives shall be a definitive or limiting statement of responsibilities, but rather that these objectives shall provide guidance for programming of economic intelligence collection and production.

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